



# A look at the Twin City Christmas lights



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### Farwell stock show to open up season

The 47th annual Farwell Junior Livestock Show will be held at the Farwell Community Center starting at 10 a.m., on Jan. 5.

A concession stand will be available.

Farwell ag teacher Sid Morris anticipates a large turnout of competitors with the full range of show animals -- barrows, lambs, goats and steers.

Grand champions and reserve grand champions will receive belt buckles. Showmanship winners will receive bags.

The judge will be Jay Waller, of Ira, Texas.

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A Friona Junior Livestock Show is scheduled for Jan. 13. Parmer County extension agent Benji Henderson is working on it.

The judge will be Chris Bishop, Terry County extension agent.

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The Lazbuddie Junior Livestock Show will be held Jan. 18 at 11 a.m. at the Friona show barn.

Since the animals have been brought to Friona for the county show, it makes sense to use the same facility for the Lazbuddie show.

Grand champions and showmanship winners will receive belt buckles, and reserve champions will be honored, too.

The judge will be Lazbuddie High grad Kayle Jesko, who is pursuing a degree in ag education at West Texas A&M University.

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The Parmer County Junior Livestock Show will be held Jan. 15, 16, 17 and 19. In the past, it was a three-day event. But a dairy heifer show has been added this year on a fourth day this year.

Judges will be Jay Lynn Blackburn, lambs and goats; Bill Binder, steers; Dale Schaffner, barrows and gilts; and Don Aisst, dairy heifers.

Here is the event schedule:

Jan. 15 -- 8 to 11 a.m. check-in for dairy heifers. The show is scheduled for 6 p.m.

Jan. 16 -- 1 to 5 p.m., weigh-in of all other animals; barrows and lambs will be classified as weighed; 5:30 p.m. classify steers.

Jan. 17 -- 8 a.m., goat show begins, followed by the lamb show; 11 a.m., steer show; gilt show, and 1 p.m., barrow show.

Jan. 19 -- 1 p.m., premium sale.

Last year's champions were:

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### THE YEAR IN REVIEW

Here's a look back at 2012 for our area. The year in review for Bovina can be found in the Bovina section of today's Tribune.

#### January

Farwell EMS makes plea for more volunteers.

Farwell stock show champions are Jill Johnson, Abby Johnson, Clay Brigham and Sterling Henderson.

Texico team wins State in Parliamentary Procedure.

Parmer County stock show sets a record -- \$165,348 total brought in.

Lazbuddie stock show champions are Mattisun Hester, Ashton Mason, and Jared Timms.

#### February

Farwell's Savanna Barksdale and Hunter Hall win District CX Debate.

Farwell varsity teams earn spots in the State basketball playoffs.

County officials meet with EMS employees from across the county to discuss future of local ambulance services.

#### March

Texico basketball coach Richard Luscombe wins his 500th victory.

Texico Lady Wolverines win State basketball championship.

Farwell's Savanna Barksdale and Hunter Hall win State CX championship.

Gayla Quillin is new administrator at Parmer Medical Center.

Farwell Care and Rehabilitation Center opens new wing.

Keith Durham steps down as Texico High principal.

Tammie Mitchell hired as Farwell city clerk.

#### April

Due to major work needed, Texico city pool is not slated to open this year.

Southwest Ag Services holds 10th anniversary celebration.

Lazbuddie football coach J.K. Hester resigns.

Farwell High captures UIL District academic championship for 2nd straight year.

Texico School Supt. R.L. Richards is named Honorary Parade Marshal for Border Town Days.

Farwell Hospital District Board discusses future of nurse practitioner offices

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### State to offer Farwell, Bovina clinics same day

Farwell School nurse Lu Ann Fillpot has received an important message from the Texas Dept. of State Health Services:

The state will combine the clinics they offer in Farwell and Bovina.

Previously, the Farwell clinic was always held on the third Tuesday of most months.

Instead, the DSHS will have its clinic in Farwell at the Community Center on Jan. 14 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

The same day, it will have its clinic in Bovina at the EMS building from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

State personnel said the number of clients they see has been declining and if it continues to go that way, they plan to cut back their visits.

But for now, the DSHS plans to hold its clinics in Farwell and Bovina throughout the year on the 2nd Monday of each month (including the summer).



**Farwell stock show** From page 1

Goats, Ashton Mason; Lambs, Jared Timms; gilts; Cade Hurst, heifers; Jason Berend, steers; Cade Box, barrows, and Brayden Potts, gilts.

Parmer County Show Board Advisory Committee members are:

Farwell, Darren Haseloff and Kyle Stancell; Bovina, Charles Wilkins and Dr. Brett Whitten; Lazbuddie, Ed Terry and Rick Seaton; and Friona, Bobby Tyler and Robert Osborn.

Stock Show Board members are:

Farwell -- Sid Morris, Carey Stancell, Bryan Patterson and Stephen Schilling.

Bovina - Luke Steelman, Buddy Prather, Tony Beauchamp and Jesse Stone (alternate).

Lazbuddie -- Terry Jesko, Jarad Flores, Shane Mason and Chris Timms (alternate).

Friona - Ben Osborn, Mark Osborn, Tracy Blount and Monty Schueler (alternate).

County 4-H -- Scott Johnson, Benji Henderson, Sean Mason, Al Kerby Jr. and Bryan Stewart.

Officers are:

Mack Heald, general superintendent; JeDon Gallman, general assistant superintendent; Lesley Curtis, swine superintendent; Kevin Schueler, lamb and goat superintendent; Terry Jesko, beef superintendent; Randy Carpenter, dairy cattle superintendent.

Also, JeDon Gallman, president; Wade Schueler, vice president; Justin Jeter, interim secretary, and John Jarecki and Dale Schueler, treasurers.

General regulations include:

The show is open to all 4-H, FFA and FHA youths under the supervision of the county agent or vocational ag teachers in Parmer County. Exhibitors must be enrolled in grades 3 through 12 in one of the four county public schools or must be a resident of the county attending a home/private school in grades 3

through 12.

All exhibitors must be verified in the Quality Countys Program.

Floor prices will not be set on any animals. All animals will be taken home by exhibitors after the show.

Validation tags will be used for ear tags in each species. Tags of other shows will not be allowed. Pens will be assigned by community.

Exhibitors may show four animals per specie (4 goats, 4 lambs, 4 steers, 4 barrows). However, exhibitors may only enter seven total. Each exhibitor may only sell two animals at the premium auction.

Showmanship rules:

Each show will have two age divisions -- junior 8-13 and senior 14 and up. Each species judge will select showmanship winners within their division. Showmanship classes will be held after completing judging in each species and will be open to all exhibitors of that species, within each age division. All ages will be as of Jan. 1, 2013. Showmanship selection will be based on the exhibitor efforts within the classes as well as during showmanship competition class.

The state mandated "no pass, no play" rules will apply. If an exhibitor is not scholastically eligible by UIL rules, then the exhibitor and his/her animals are not eligible to compete in this show.

One hundred and forty animals will be sold at the Saturday sale. Only Grand and Reserve Grand will be presented. All other sale exhibitors will walk through the ring without their animals.

Premium on animals will be by the head.

The sale order will be lamb, steer, goat, barrow and dairy. Grand and Reserve Grand of each species will sell in the same order. Two percent of the selling price will be retained by the stock show board for repair and improvement of stock show facilities.

Individual species rules include:

vision revoked, 2 years State Jail Division TDCJ, \$441 court costs, \$750 fine. Also, charged with violation of community supervision (burglary of a building), was sentenced to community supervision revoked, 2 years State Jail Division TDCJ, \$441 court costs, \$750 fine and \$210 restitution.

**Sheriff's Report**

Here is the weekly report from Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geries:

In 287th District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

On Dec. 13, Norberto Gonzalez, 26, of Friona, charged with possession with Intent to deliver, was sentenced to 8 years Texas Department Criminal Justice; \$299 court costs, \$1,000 fine and \$140 restitution.

Alex Espinoza, 26, of Friona, charged with violation of community supervision (forgery), was sentenced to community super-

report card) public meeting on Jan. 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the school board room.

Jerry Whitney plans a 42 tourney at the Texico community center Jan. 4 at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Jordan Mason, a recent Farwell graduate reported a 4.0 this semester at Clovis Community college. Jordan is studying to be a surgical technician.

Bretton Stancell, a senior at Farwell received a 3.3. He is studying diesel mechanics.

**The Latest**

The area got some light snow, under an inch, on Christmas Day.

Another light dusting occurred on Sunday night.

A baby shower will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Farwell for Farwell High grad Charla (Corn) Barrett.

Word has been received of the death of Rev. Dale Cain, of Lubbock, who attended Farwell Schools as a youth.

Lazbuddie School will hold its annual AEIS (school

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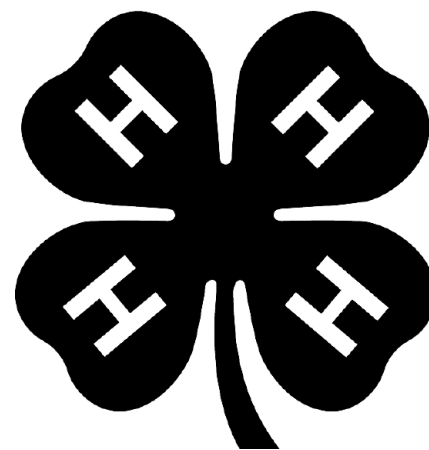


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## Lady 'Horns take 4th in Littlefield Tourney

### Varsity Boys

The Lazbuddie Longhorns lost their district opener to Anton, 73-35.

Leading scorers were Jared Timms, 12; and Alex Lopez, 8.

The 'Horns are 4-8 on the season.

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The Longhorns did not participate in the Littlefield Tournament last week due to a lack of players (it was Christmas vacation).

### Varsity Girls

The Lady Longhorns lost on Dec. 21 to Anton, 70-59.

Scoring were Shyann Rainey, 16; Maysun Hester, 8; Lacey Jesko, 24; Karina Galaviz, 6, and Shea Scott, 5.

Jesko had a trio of 3-pointers.

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The Lady 'Horns finished 4th in the Littlefield Tournament last weekend.

Coach Jesko said the

team played well and was aggressive.

Two girls injured their knees.

In the opener, Lazbuddie lost to Littlefield, 37-28.

Scoring were Rainey, 12; Ashton Mason, Hester and Jessica Estrada, 2 each; Jesko, 6, and Galaviz, 4.

Then Bushland topped Lazbuddie, 52-37.

Scoring were Rainey and Mason, 7 each; Hester, 15; Allison Weaver, 2; and Shea Scott and Lindsey Burris, 3 each.

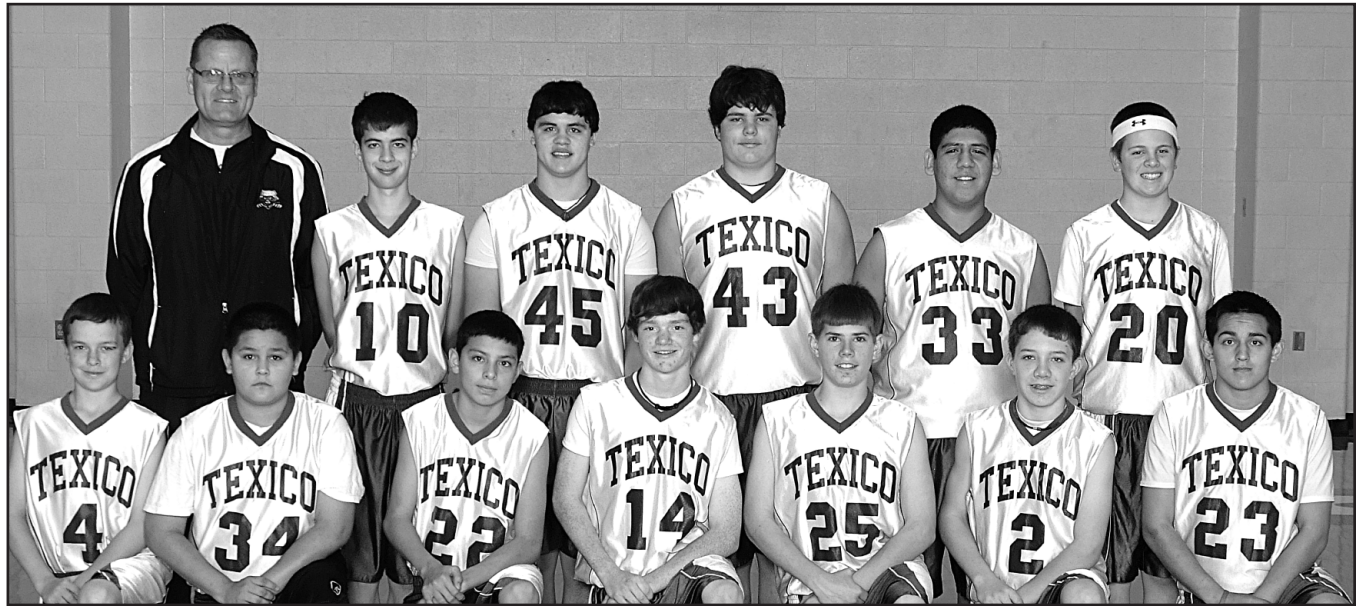
Lazbuddie beat Sudan, 40-28.

Scoring were Burris, 4; Scott and Mason, 9 each; Autumn Townsend, 4; Rainey, 11, and Mason, 9.

### JH Girls

The JH Girls lost to Anton, 52-19.

Scoring were Baylee Ruthardt, 2; Lindsey Burris, 10, and Kennedy Nickels, 7.



Texico 8th grade boys

Coach Doolittle, Zach Andrews, Mason Golden, Brayden Herrington, Andres Rodriguez, Jackson Tuls, Hayden Hughes, Nathan Morales, Jeremy Banning, Devin Guss, Kolten Wines, Lance Myers, Michael Hill.

## Reyna leads Lady Wolverines past Andrews

**Varsity Girls**  
In the Plateau Wireless Holiday Classic, the Texico Lady Wolverines lost to Gallup, 50-23.

Scoring were Shelby Vannatta, 3; Sarah Daniels, 1; Lindsey Foote, 2; McKenzi Mayfield, 8; Brianna Reyna, 3; and Rae Lynn Prather, 6.

In the 2nd round, Texico lost to Clovis, 57-

### Financial classes offered

A nine-week course providing folks with tools to gain control of their finances will be taught at the First Baptist Church of Farwell starting Jan. 20 at 6 p.m.

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12. Scoring were Daniels, 3; Foote, 2; Mayfield, 3; and Reyna, 4.

Texico took 5th place

in the tourney with a 41-39 win over Andrews.

Scoring were Reyna, 25; Vannatta, 2; Daniels, 3; Foote, 1; Mayfield, 2;

Chayenne Scarborough, 2; Prather 6.

The Lady Wolverines were 6-4 on the season after this game.

## Armstrong Welding

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# Border Banter

--Mike Pomper

Well, that was a real bumner Dec. 21 when the world didn't end for thousands and thousands of people who ran to their nearest mountain tops awaiting their ascent into heaven.

Me? I kept waiting for folks to give me all their money when they headed for the nearest high plateau. But nobody did. At least a fella can hope.

What that Mayan prophecy tom foolery showed was that there are a whole lot of really stupid people living in our world. That never changes.

I wrote months ago that the Mayan "prophecy" merely meant that one calendar would end that day. No big deal. It's like when a month ends on the 31st and a new month starts.

But some jumped to the insane conclusion that it meant the end of the world due to a mysterious planet coming into play.

Yeah, an unseen planet hiding behind our sun. These same people believe in the tooth fairy.

This is almost as bad as scientology.

I bet if L. Ron Hubbard, the master science fiction writer who created the scientology universe,

was alive today he would laugh his head off at seeing folks take seriously his strange fiction.

Like I said, there are a whole lot of really dumb people in this world. Especially movie stars.

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Now for a sad topic: the tragedy at that Connecticut school.

My wife and I own a handgun. DeeDee is a former member of the National Rifle Association. And I learned to fire weapons while in the Army.

We believe strongly in the right of Americans to have a weapon for self-defense, although we are not so sure about automatic weapons.

I don't believe that having armed guards in all our schools will change the simple fact that if a madman has it in his mind to kill a bunch of people there is little you can do to completely prevent it.

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If a nut case decides to drive his vehicle onto a sidewalk crowded with pedestrians, how do you stop it?

That happened last week in China, with more than a dozen people injured and killed, yet no one has called for a ban on vehicles.

I know that if one of my children had been a victim at the Connecticut school, I might think differently. And my heart goes out to the parents who lost children.

But we live in a world where tragedies continually occur. Satan does not take holidays.

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More "waves of the future":

1. Statistics say 34 percent of all Americans don't believe in God.

I wonder what that percentage was when our nation was founded.

2. A survey of the top 10 Christmas gifts that young'uns wanted included "dads."

The nuclear family --

father, mother and children -- is becoming a thing of the past. Could anything be worse for the future of our society?

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President Obama has

announced pay raises for Congress.

I couldn't be more excited.

How deserving.

I better stop now ... I can't stop laughing.

## Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County clerk's office last week recorded the following warranty deeds:

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**Year in Review** From page 1

in Farwell. There have been two offices -- Melinda Burney and Lacey Meeks. Burney's office is later closed and Mrs. Meeks' office expands into it.

State certifies new Parmer County American Legion post. William Dannheim elected post commander.

Elnabeth Grau named Texico High School principal.

Fire destroys Lance Ivy home in Lazbuddie; nobody is hurt.

Bits 'n Pieces 'n Petals opens in Farwell by Linda and Gerald Porter.

Farwell Chamber of Commerce honors Deirdre Guthals, Teacher of Year; Weldon Kube, Man of Year; Carla Kaltwasser, Woman of Year; Garrett Presnell and Keila Jennings, Students of Year; and the Lingnau clan, Agriculturalists of the Year.

**May**

Top Texico FFA honors go to Tristan Lockmiller, Star Greenhand, and Lindsey Foote, Star State FFA Degree.

Top Farwell athletes are Seth Meeks, Abby Johnson and Edgar Cuevas.

Moths invade area.

Farwell's Kolten Morris advances to State in 110 hurdles and 300 hurdles.

Myrna Reynoso named Texico FCCLA's Outstanding Member.

Texico's Land Judging Team takes 11th in the nation at Oklahoma City out of 93 teams.

Farwell School Board accepts the resignations of varsity football coach Mike Prokop and ag teacher Tomee England, and retirements of Dorris White and Kay Stanton.

Texico Wolverines take 2nd at State track meet.

Paula White is named Volunteer of Year at annual Farwell Care and Rehabilitation Center dinner.

Texico's top athletes are Karina Salazar and Jesus Rivera.

Valedictorians are: Jaylyn Cooper, Texico; Kristin Langford, Farwell; and Jarrod Jesko, Lazbuddie.

R.L. Richards resigns as Texico School superintendent to take post at Muleshoe School.

Lawsuits filed against Ute Lake Water project.

Winning Farwell High's top awards were Kristin Langford, the Loving Cup; Ubaldo Trevizo-Marquez, the Carlos Nicolas Award; and Keila Jennings, the Meredith Anderson scholarship.

Farwell speech team captures state crown for the first time in school's history -- Hunter Hall, Savanna Barksdale, Kayla Cullison and Kolten Morris.

Kenny White wins Pct. 3 (Farwell area) county commissioner's race in the Republican primary. He is unopposed in the November general election.

Texico teacher Lupe Olivas retires after 32 years. Farwell art teacher Robin Gregory resigns to take a teaching post at Elida, N.M., where her husband, Larry, is principal.

Justin Schacher is named outstanding Lazbuddie FFA member. Ashton Mason is Star Chapter Farmer.

**June**

Cargill announces plans to build a Sweet Bran plant just west of Bovina with 28 fulltime employees.

Lazbuddie School to use county funds earmarked for the school to make campus improvements -- playground and courtyard.

Farwell raises its utility rates.

**July**

Parmer County Commissioners receive annual audit report showing the combined fund balance at \$3.7 million.

Taylor Read named Farwell varsity football coach. Miles Mitchell named Texico school superintendent. He also will be athletic director.

Lazbuddie School hires veteran football coach Ken Hoskins. He has to step down in the fall as coach due to illness but helps propel the team to its best record in years.

Once again, the annual Border Town Days is a big

success with a large crowd attending.

**August**

Texico First Baptist Church sponsors community cleanup day.

Local students show three grand champions at the Curry County Fair: Lindsey Foote, barrow; Madison Belcher, goat; and Brendon Lockmiller, steer.

Farwell city council discusses stricter curfews.

54th annual Area Merchants Football Contest begins.

Seven candidates file for 5 Lazbuddie school board posts.

**September**

Dan Pierce appointed to Texico Cemetery Board. Keith Hicks and Darrell Stephens re-elected to Bailey County Electric Cooperative board.

Farwell city council approves new curfews.

Hang Loose Nutrition opens in Texico.

Lazbuddie Homecoming King and Queen are Keynan Youngblood and Keena Diaz.

**October**

Farwell restricts its watering schedule due to the drought.

Dairy heifer show added to the January county stock show schedule.

Farwell Homecoming King and Queen are Hayden Hadley and Clara Reyes.

West Texas Gas seeks a rate hike in Farwell. It is



School shootings are, fear-mongering hysteria to the contrary, rare.

I have seen the statistics that show your chances of being murdered in one are less than one in two million. Your risk of being killed in a car wreck on the way to school is much higher. You have a higher chance of being killed by a police officer, or of choking to death on a pen cap. Of course, even one murder is too many.

The recent tragedy in Connecticut will result in more anti-gun "laws" being proposed. "Laws" just like the ones that failed to prevent the massacre, and in fact make events like that one more likely. Connecticut has some of the worst - and by that I mean most

restrictive - anti-gun "laws" in America.

How'd that work out?

There are other meaningless displays that some will propose, such as lock-downs. The school in Connecticut was "breached" violently. No lock-down prevents that. Lock-downs only increase other risk s... risks that are actually more likely to really happen.

I realize no one in government or in the touchy-feelie "we can legislate our way to Utopia crowd" wants to hear it, but the truth is that arming teachers and school employees again is the only thing that can work.

It isn't "radical" - it's a return to common sense that seems to have been lost in recent decades. It doesn't even require new "laws"; just the elimination of some very bad ones that are currently enforced.

Fortunately, events

approved.

Lazbuddie post office to stay open, but with reduced hours.

Lazbuddie captures 2 top awards at regional robotics contest, advances to State.

JBerry Business Solutions opens in Farwell by Jim Berry and Jana Pitcock.

**November**

Lazbuddie cross country runner Lacey Jesko qualifies for State competition.

Elected to Lazbuddie School Board are Chris Timms, Brenna Burch, Craig Smyer, Casey Russell and Doyle Weir.

Jarod Hill named Sailor of the Year.

Deborah Penner wins Area Merchants Football Contest.

Farwell Junior High and elementary schools capture UIL District academic contests.

Parmer County Commissioners approve 9-day burn ban.

Texico Lady Spikers are State runnerups.

**December**

Texico city officials head food drive for the needy at Christmas.

Texico Volunteer Fire Department honors Doug Scioli, EMS Member of the Year; and Dustin Fite, Firefighter of the Year.

Parmer County veterans service officer Harrol Redwine resigns.

like the one in massacre happens in Connecticut will still be another of those "gun highly unlikely even if free zones" take a reasonable measures are passed over in favor of the lives that would have "feel good" security the-ater. But when the next to me.

**The Latest**

Dear Editor,

The Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Office in Parmer County offers many opportunities such as educational events in agriculture production, horticulture, Better Living for Texans, healthy lifestyles, emergency management, community and economic development, and 4-H and Youth Development.

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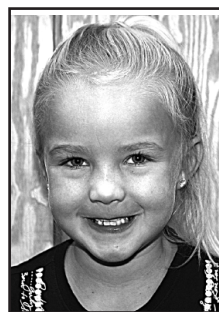
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**Meet Farwell's Class of 2025**



Makylee Baldwin is a Farwell kindergartener. Her birthday is March 2.

Parents are Coby and Stephanie Baldwin. Siblings are Garrett and Rustin. Grandparents are Craig and Faye Frizzell, and Stacy Baldwin.

His favorite color is purple. Favorite foods are salads and watermelons.

She loves to ride horses and run barrels.

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If you have purchased a home since you signed up for the Homestead Exemption, you need to re-apply for this exemption.

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Agricultural use exemptions are available for all who have purchased agricultural property. If you purchased ag property during the past year, you need to apply for this exemption.

Vehicle exemption forms for those who qualify are available online at [www.parmercad.org](http://www.parmercad.org) or come by our office to apply.

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Mr. and Mrs. Edie Smith have 60th anniversary.

Picnic facilities are built by Farwell Chamber of Commerce in city park.

TOPS Club (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) organizes in Farwell by Rita Dollar and Sally Whitesides.

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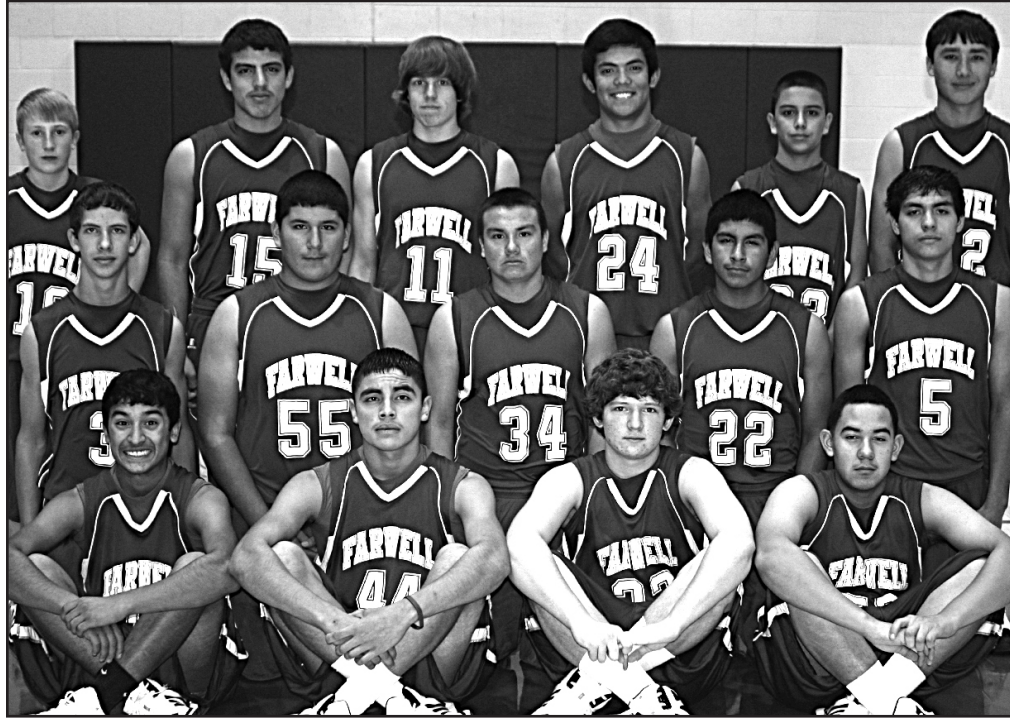
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**Farwell 8th Boys**

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**Farwell JV Boys**

Ryon Smith, Pedro Ruiz, Angel Graxiola, Federica Solis, Andrew Michalski, Oscar Munoz, Adrian Aleman, Erick Tovar, A.J. Bermea, Garhett van Hoene, Leo Cervantes, Jose Sotelo, Danny Reyes, Armando Arevalo, Gerardo Martinez, Chase Mitchell.

## Mason, Agee hit multiple 3-pointers to help Farwell teams beat Lockney

### Varsity Boys

On Dec. 22, the Farwell Steers pushed past Lockney, 63-50.

Scoring were Kolten Morris, 20; Austin Mason, 12 (including a trio of 3-pointers); Ruben Gutierrez, 9; Collin Christian, 4; Luis Galvan, 3; and Christian Pena and Bretton Stancell, 2 each.

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In the opener of the Littlefield Tourney on Dec. 27, the Steers

nipped Bushland, 44-43.

Scoring were Mason, 18 (with four 3-pointers); Morris, 13; Christian, 8; and Gutierrez, 5.

Then Farwell tripped up Littlefield, 51-49.

Scoring were Mason, 13; Christian 11; Morris, 10; Gutierrez, 6; Stancell, 4; Manuel Galvan, 4; and Luis Galvan, 3.

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In the championship game, the Steers fell to Denver City, 51-41.

Scoring were Mason,

15; Morris, 10; Luis Galvan, 8; Christian, 4; Stancell, 2; and Gutierrez, 2.

The Steers were 14-3 on the season after this game.

### Varsity Girls

The Lady Blue beat back Lockney, 52-36.

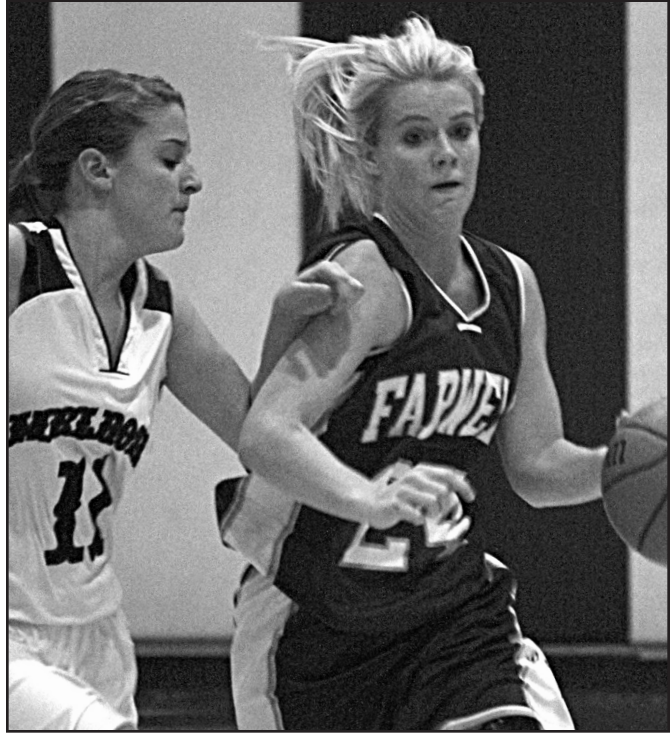
Scoring were Ami Favila, 10; Caitlyn Stancell, 8; Sasha Lara, 4; Alexa Mora and Chandler Barnes, 1 each; Regan Agee, 6 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Skylar Chadwick, 8; and Taylor Stancell, 10.

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In the Littlefield Tourney's first round, the Lady Blue lost to Muleshoe, 45-27.

Scoring were Favila, 10; Caitlyn Stancell, 5; Lara, 3; Barnes, 2; Agee, 4; and Chadwick, 3.

The Lady Blue lost to Denver City, 55-48.

High scorers were Favila, 11, and Caitlyn Stancell, 10.



**Farwell 7th Boys**

Romeo Reyes, Lee Roy Cervantes, Brandon Galvan, Ethan Stancell, Brendan Baker, River Hall, Tannar Chadwick, Facio Germain, John Mitchell.

And Farwell lost to Anton, 44-37.

High scorers were Caitlyn Stancell, 17, and Favila, 9.

Farwell was 9-11 on the season after this game.

## Meet Lazbuddie's Class of 2025



Charity Howard is a Lazbuddie kindergartener. Her birthday is June 22. Parents are Megan Greene and Jason Howard. Grandparents are Oren Howard and Elaine Howard. She likes playing with her friends, swimming and going to the library. Her favorite color is pink. Favorite foods are mashed potatoes, corn and chicken. She doesn't like green beans, tomatos, lettuce, cherries or watermelon.



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### Meet Texico's Class of 2025




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### Lily Behrendsen



Lily Behrendsen, 84, passed away on Dec. 21, 2012. Family and friends gathered for visitation Dec. 26 at Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers. Graveside services were Dec. 27 at Bovina Cemetery, followed by a celebration of life service at Lake Ridge Chapel. A tribute of Mrs. Behrendsen may be found at www.memorialdesigners.net, where you may leave memories and expressions of sympathy for her family.

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Texico -- Varsity teams are in the EPAC Tournament Jan. 8-12. The JV teams host Fort Sumner on Jan. 4. On Jan. 5, the "C" teams host Dora. The JH teams take on Portales Jan. 10 -- the boys there and the girls at home.

Lazbuddie -- JV and varsity teams play at Amherst Jan. 4, then host Cotton Center Jan. 8. On Jan. 10-12, the Lazbuddie JV & JH Tourney is scheduled. On Jan. 7, the JH host Cotton Center.

Bovina -- Varsity & JV Girls play at Springlake-Earth Jan. 4 and host Sudan on Jan. 8. The JV & Varsity boys host Lubbock Christian on Jan. 4, then play at Sudan Jan. 8. The MS teams are in the Lazbuddie Tourney, then host Springlake-Earth on Jan. 7.

Farwell -- JV & Varsity boys play at Roosevelt Jan. 4, then host Lockney on Jan. 8. JV & Varsity girls host Morton Jan. 8. JH & JV teams play in Lazbuddie Tourney Jan. 10-12.

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Our board gives considerable time and effort toward advancing our educational programs as well as making a strong commitment to local control and decision making in education.

Their efforts reflect a year-round commitment to our students, school and community. We are making a special effort this month to voice our appreciation for their services.

Please take a moment to tell a school board member "thanks" for a job well done toward the continuing success of our school and for caring about our students.

The school board members serving Lazbuddie I.S.D. are:

**Chris Timms - President**  
**Doyle Weir - Vice President**  
**Candice Weaver - Secretary**  
**Brenna Burch**  
**Craig Smyer**  
**Casey Russell**  
**Sheldon Mason**

Lily Mae was born on Sept. 9, 1928, in Petersburg, Texas, to Andrew and Laura (Fields) Byrd. She married the love of her life, J. D. Kirkpatrick on March 8, 1947, in Plainview, Texas. He preceded her in death on May 22, 1974. She married Dillard Morris on April 17, 1975, in Muleshoe. He preceded her in death on June 3, 1978. She later married Richard Behrendsen on Oct. 21, 1987, in Las Vegas, Nev.

Lily was a member of First Baptist Church of Bovina. She was a homemaker and loved to cook for her family. Being a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother was her greatest joy in life. She loved to bowl, dance, and spend time with family and friends. Her family will miss her beauty, sense of style, and humor.

Lily was preceded in death by her parents; 43 brothers, Aubrey, Robert, Tommy, and Clyde Byrd; 3 sisters, Pearl Day, Viola Johnson, and Annie Scarborough; and a great-granddaughter, Zaylee Campbell.

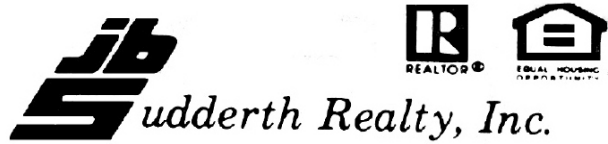
Those left to cherish her memory include her children, Daryl Kirkpatrick and wife, Karen of Lubbock; Carol Alexander and husband, Vann of Lubbock; Debra Campbell of Cimarron, N.M.; and Randy Kirkpatrick and wife, Brenda of Bovina; grandchildren, Dana Cunyus and husband, Jackie, Corey Kirkpatrick and wife, Misty, Brandon Glasscock and wife, Amy, Kimberly Billingsley and husband, Roger, Zadoc Campbell and wife, Jennifer, Zeke Campbell and wife, Krystin, and Hope Ayala and husband, Manuel. Lily is also survived by her 14 great-grandchildren, Calloway, Caitlyn and Channing Cunyus, Taylor and Cole Kirkpatrick, Carter and Evelyn Glasscock, Madison and Bryson Billingsley, Zayden and Jordon Campbell, Emmalyn Campbell and Hayley, Krystian and Brevyn Ayala; brother, Clarence Byrd, and sister, Pansy Tullis and husband, Ronald.

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Just Listed - 3 bedroom, 2 bath single car garage. Recently remodeled, with new heat and air, kitchen cabinets. Looks new.

Just Listed - Large commercial building on Main Street in Farwell. Over 4,000 sq. ft. With additional 40x50 metal shop.

PRICE DRASTICALLY REDUCED - Large brick building converted into a home with a small apartment. 3+ bedrooms. Large fenced yard and carport.

Just Listed - 2 bedroom, 1 bath home with fenced yard and shop.

Large commercial building with large 40'x50' insulated metal shop on Main Street in Farwell.

Just listed - Home on 2 acres near Oklahoma Lane, 4 bed, 2 1/2 bath 2 car garage with 30'x40' metal shop, ready to move into.

Just Listed - nice 2 bed, 2 bath with 2 car attached garage on corner lot in Farwell.

Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car attached garage, on 13 acres south of Farwell with two barns and lots of livestock corrals.

Nice 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath brick home in south Farwell. With separate rental home for extra income. All on a large lot.

DRASTICALLY REDUCED - Must See! Spacious, 5,000+ sq. ft. 2 story 3 bedroom, 2 3/4 bath brick home in Texico. Central heat, refig. air and 2 car attached garage. Large fenced back yard with sprinkler. Covered patio, storage building and extra 3 car detached garage.

Just Listed - 3 bedroom, 2 bath home in Farwell. Approx. 1,800 sq. ft. Central heat, ref. air, 2-Car carport. Beautifully landscaped yard, with covered patio.

3 bedroom, 2 bath nice brick home on 2.4 acres northeast of Farwell. Fireplace, central heat, refrigerated geo-thermal system. Large quonset barn.

Brick country home on 60 acres near Progress, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, central heat, ref. air, single car garage, nice metal shop. Priced to sell.

Large brick country home on 2.6 acres north of Lazbuddie on highway. 5 bedroom, 3 bath, central heat, ref. air. Lots of recent remodeling, large 50'x100' metal barn. On highway.

Commercial building at 1305 Ave. A in Farwell. 60' x 120' metal building with office and 5 ton overhead crane. On 3.1 acres with perimeter fence.

**HAVE BUYERS  
NEED FARM LISTINGS**

Just Listed - east of Oklahoma Lane. 640 acres, irrigated with small home. 6 wells, and 16 tower Valley sprinkler.

535 acres irrigated. East of Farwell. 4 irr. wells, 3 sprinklers, good farm.

620 acres SW of Lariat - 1 10 tower Zimmatic sprinkler with 7 wells.

252 acres of irrigated land northeast of Farwell with 2 wells and 2 circle sprinklers.

1685 +/- acres irr. near Lazbuddie. 10 circles, 12 wells, on highway.

160 acres South of Lariat on highway. 1 sprinkler, 3 irr. wells. Owner says sell.

**Bovina Area Listings**

10+ acres on Highway with 2 bedroom home. 40'x60' metal barn. Livestock pens. Unique rustic living quarters in old barn. Several storage buildings. All on city water.

77 +/- acres grassland east of Bovina.

Just Listed - Large 4 bedroom, 2 bath, brick home with 2-car attached garage. Central heat and refrigerated air; fireplace and large fenced yard.

4 bedroom, 2 bath brick home with 2 car attached garage. Central heat and air. Corner lot in good neighborhood. Priced to sell.

Large 3,500 sq. ft. brick home on 5 acres. South of Bovina. Has potential of having up to 100 acres of grass and dryland.

2 bedroom, 1 bath home on 5 acres across from grain elevators.

Price Reduced - 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with large 2 car garage and storage area with storm cellar. Central heat/ refig. air and large lot.

Several 10-acre tracts west of Bovina.

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Country Homes  
**New Listing!** Muleshoe area. Brick home on 1.5 acres. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, nicely updated, metal roof. Property also has a metal shop and a pole barn for horses or FFA/4-H projects.

**Northwestern Lamb County** -- Pleasant Valley. 3 or 4 bedroom, 2 3/4 bath, fireplace, surround granite counter tops, 2-park garage, on 5.94 acres on pavement. Modern & extra nice!

Farmland/Investment  
**Bailey County** - 177 acres. 10 year CRP contract. On pavement, could be a nice recreational place. Mule deer and other wildlife in the area.

**Lynn & Terry Counties** - CRP - 270 acres in CRP, 50 acres in native pasture for a total of 320 wooded acres.

**Bailey and Parmer Counties** - 960 acres, 9 wells, 5 center pivot sprinklers, Brick house w/ improvements.

**Western Bailey County** - Irrigated 174 acres, 2 irrigation wells, Valley sprinkler, 1 domestic well, on pavement, corners in grass.

**Bailey County** -- 1,140 acres of recreational property with an income stream. 767 acres in C.R.P. Nine years remaining on contract. Mule deer, dove, pheasant and quail. Some improvements.

**Parmer County** -- Lazbuddie area. 2.2 acres. Lays perfect, excellent soil. 2 Valley sprinklers, 3 wells. On pavement.

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New Listing -- 601 4th St., 1,568 sq. ft., 4 bedroom; plus 740 sq ft 2 bedroom rental income property. Some painting is being done to spruce it up. Affordably priced at \$95,000.

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900 Ave. K, Bovina -- New Listing. Large 2300 sq ft. Old Chicago brick home on large corner lot. Super nice condition with lots of extras. Military family has orders. Huge family room with fireplace, mature landscaping sprinkler system. Only a 30 minute drive from Cannon AFB. Very affordable at \$140K. Virtual tour Call for your appointment today.

200 Gardner, Bovina -- former restaurant. Huge 3,000 sq. ft. brick bldg on large lot with hwy frontage. \$74,500. Choose a number of possibilities Call for appointment (575) 693-9545

908 Ave H Bovina, Large 2185 sq ft Brick home with very spacious large rooms. Ranch style 3 bed. 2 3/4 bath home on a quiet street near schools. Updated kitchen with modern appliances. Storage galore! Worth the drive to have more for your money. Price reduced to \$115,000. This is a real bargain! Virtual tour. [www.sharonhicks.com](http://www.sharonhicks.com).

1739 N FM 1731 - 4 bedroom 2 bath country home on 10 acres in Bovina area. 1685 sq ft plus 1600 sq ft barn, corrals & lots of fruit trees \$139,900. 1739 FM RD 1731. [www.1homesource.com](http://www.1homesource.com).



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New Listing - Remodeled 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home, central air + heat, single car garage, carport, fenced backyard, 20'x30' shop, close to school.

New Listing -- 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath, home, patio, single car garage, 24'x30' shop building, central heat & air. **SOLD**

Nice 2 bedroom, 1 bath home, with central air and heat, laminate wood floors, all appliances, carport with storage, fenced backyard, extra lot to west of home, Great starter or rental home. Call for more details. **SOLD**

PRICE REDUCED - Muleshoe- In country on 10 acres, Nice 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, brick home with fireplace, utility, built-ins, new windows, new roof, and new air conditioner, large storage, 2 car garage. Call for more details.

Just listed - Bovina small 3 bed, 1 bath home with siding, storage building, and storm cellar. Reasonably priced on corner lot. **SOLD**

Price Reduced - Only 5 years Old. Very nice, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath brick home, upstairs, finished basement, office, built-ins, central air and heat, electric fireplace, sprinkler system, 3 car garage, all on 1.0471 acres. Call for an appointment today!

**WE NEED FARM LISTINGS!!**



# From the Old Geezer

Butch Tharp

The term "old geezer" is not automatically derogatory or disrespectful, although some youths use the term to convey contempt.

Let's face it, as we age we develop serious physical problems. But some time ago, I started looking at the elderly as some of the wisest people on earth.

Yes, old people often get in the way and can cause problems. Us old geezers normally don't do this out of desire but because the aging process, which can include failing minds, is a fact of life.

Some people are already old geezers in their late 50's or early 60's. This is due to factors including genetics, injuries, diseases, arthritis, drugs, alcohol, or upbringing (physical or mental abuse).

On the positive side, aging allows us to view how changes have occurred over a lengthy period of time. It gives us a perspective that youths don't have, especially when dealing with society and morality.

Society in the U.S. has desecrated to the point of falling into the same state of condition as the Roman empire just prior to its demolition.

Morality in the U.S. has gone so far away from Godly precepts that church memberships are dwindling rapidly.

For instance, some denominations no longer preach against sin or encourage their members to lead moral lives. Others have allowed

homosexual pastors to lead, and set church theology.

I know of churches which are led by divorced pastors. One denomination back east is now is at ease with same sex marriage.

California now seethes with dope, public nudity, same sex weddings, and open gay sex in parks.

Another societal change is government paying huge sums of money to people who are totally able to hold jobs but make unlawful claims of disability and child support.

About a year ago, a 19-year-old girl with two babies was on the internet saying how well off she was. She encouraged girls to get pregnant and reap the government's benefits rather than get a job and/or settle down with a loving husband.

In the past, couples who moved in with each other without the sanctity of marriage were few and far between. They were held in shame, and were considered anti-social. No longer.

Another columnist recently opined that our nation's falling away from God, and not allowing school prayer and the other Godly freedoms, had nothing to do with the recent Connecticut school tragedy. He indicated that morals and living as God intended would not prevent any mass murders.

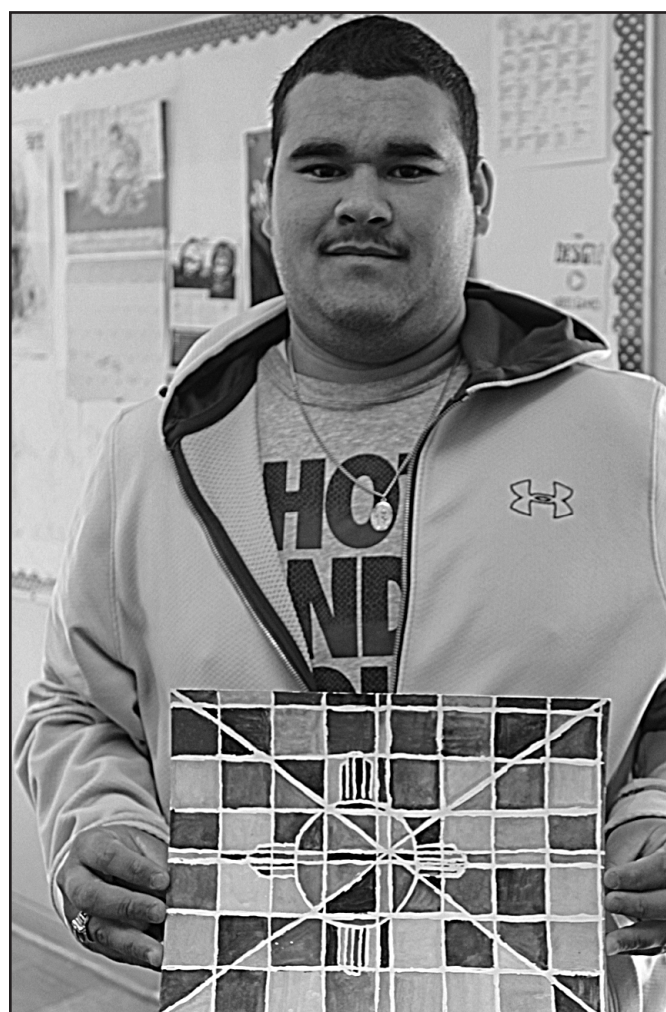
These are only a few changes that we old geezers have experienced.

Well, the cruise ship on the ocean of life is approaching the port of disembarkation. See you in a few miles.

## Farwell artists at work



Savannah Garcia



Martin Bejarano



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### CLASSIFIEDS

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For rent in Farwell -- 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Available in January. Deposit required. Please call (575) 309-9403 for more information.

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## Business of the Month

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### JBerry Business Solutions

JBerry Business Solutions is one of Farwell's newest businesses.

Jim Berry and Jana Pitcock opened their office at the corner of 6th Street and Avenue A in October, then recently moved to the former Winners Touch building at the corner of 2nd Street and Avenue A.

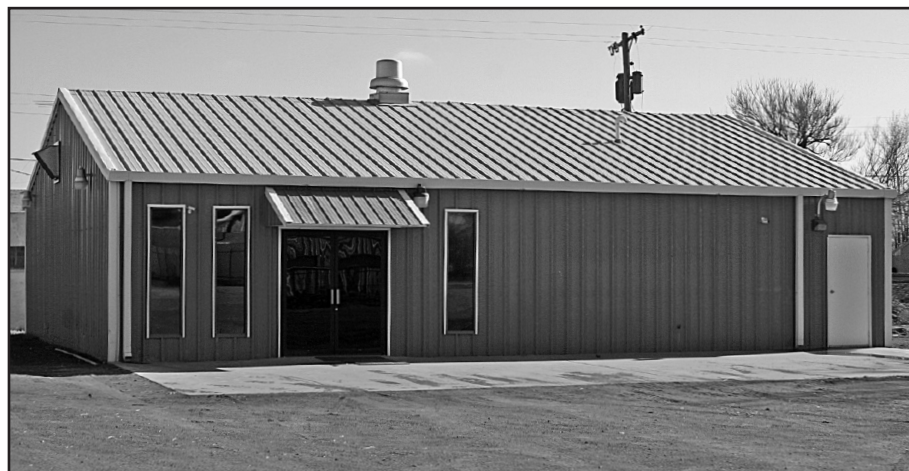
Their phone number is 481-7360. The accounting office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 5 p.m.

Jim Berry is a certified CPA. Jana Pitcock, his daughter, has been involved in accounting work for many years.

They said, "We hope to bring a service to Farwell that will meet each client's special needs, providing bookkeeping, payroll and tax planning and preparation. Your business and, more importantly, you are important to us."



Jim Berry and Jana Pitcock



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A message from the Farwell Chamber of Commerce

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### Lazbuddie Invitational Tournament

January 10th, 11th and 12th

#### Junior High GIRLS

The bracket shows the following matchups and times:

- Friona (OG Thur 4:30 pm) vs Dimmitt (NG Thur 4:30 pm)
- Springlake Earth (OG Thur 5:30 pm) vs Farwell (OG Thur 5:30 pm)
- Kress (NG Thur 6:30 pm) vs Hart (NG Thur 6:30 pm)
- Bovina (OG Thur 7:30 pm) vs Lazbuddie (OG Thur 7:30 pm)
- 3rd Place: Friona vs Springlake Earth (NG Sat 9:00 am)
- Final: Kress vs Bovina (NG Sat 10:00 am)

### Lazbuddie Invitational Tournament

January 10th, 11th and 12th

#### Junior High BOYS

The bracket shows the following matchups and times:

- Friona (OG Thur 4:30 pm) vs Dimmitt (NG Thur 4:30 pm)
- Springlake Earth (NG Thur 5:30 pm) vs Farwell (OG Thur 5:30 pm)
- Kress (OG Thur 6:30 pm) vs Nazareth (OG Thur 6:30 pm)
- Bovina (NG Thur 7:30 pm) vs Lazbuddie (NG Thur 7:30 pm)
- 3rd Place: Friona vs Springlake Earth (OG Sat 11:00 am)
- Final: Kress vs Bovina (NG Sat 11:00 am)



**Texico 'C' Boys**

Rafael Maldonado, Dylan Sharp, Matthew Odegaard, Ramon Garcia and Coach Ty Thatcher, Regan Tongate, Bryan Silva, Joseph Sena, Jesus Maldonado, Luke Spears.

### Lazbuddie JV Tournament

January 10-11-12, 2013

<p><b>Girls</b></p> <p><b>Thursday</b></p> <p>9:00 Nazareth vs. Dimmitt - OG</p> <p>10:30 Lazbuddie vs. Kress - NG</p> <p>12:00 Hart vs. Bovina - OG</p> <p>1:30 Friona vs. Farwell - NG</p> <p>3:00 Dimmitt vs. Springlake-Earth - OG</p> <p><b>Friday</b></p> <p>9:00 Bovina vs. Farwell - OG</p> <p>10:30 Lazbuddie vs. Hart - NG</p> <p>12:00 Dimmitt vs. Friona - OG</p> <p>1:30 Kress vs. Springlake-Earth - NG</p> <p>3:00 Farwell vs. Nazareth - OG</p> <p><b>Saturday</b></p> <p>12:00 Springlake-Earth vs. Friona - OG</p> <p>1:30 Lazbuddie vs. Bovina - NG</p> <p>3:00 Dimmitt vs. Kress - OG</p> <p>4:30 Farwell vs. Hart - NG</p> <p>6:00 Friona vs. Nazareth - OG</p>	<p><b>Boys</b></p> <p>New Deal vs. Kress - OG</p> <p>Hart vs. Bovina - NG</p> <p>Friona vs. Farwell - OG</p> <p>Dimmitt vs. Spl.-Earth - NG</p> <p>Bovina vs. Farwell - NG</p> <p>New Deal vs. Hart - OG</p> <p>Dimmitt vs. Friona - NG</p> <p>Kress vs. Spl.-Earth - OG</p> <p>Spl.-Earth vs. Friona - NG</p> <p>New Deal vs. Bovina - OG</p> <p>Dimmitt vs. Kress - NG</p> <p>Farwell vs. Hart - OG</p>
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OG signifies Old gym games, NG for new gym.  
 The Home Team will be the team listed on the left and will wear white and sit will have the bench to the right side of the table.  
 The Winner will be determined by: 1) Record, 2) Head-to-Head, 3) Average number of points allowed, 4) Total number of points allowed

### Santa, 'I would like a diamond ring for mom'

Some late Santa letters arrived:

Dear Santa,  
 I would like the Princess wii, a big pink car, sewing kit, fish and fish food, and Princess set.  
 Emily

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a DSI with games, Brave the movie, Madagascar 3, One Direction and Lady Antebellum CDs, bones for dogs, an ipad for mom and a pocket knife for dad.  
 Stacey Haseloff

Dear Santa,  
 I would like a Cinderella vanity, a Leap pad, a Cinderella game for Leapster, a Dora game, bones for dogs, a wallet for dad and a diamond ring for mom.  
 Breanna Haseloff

### Texico ranked in State polls

In the recent New Mexico basketball polls for Class 2A, the Texico Wolverines rank 7th in the state. The Texico Lady Wolverines rank No. 1. The poll was taken before star center Shaylee Anderson was injured. She is out for the season.

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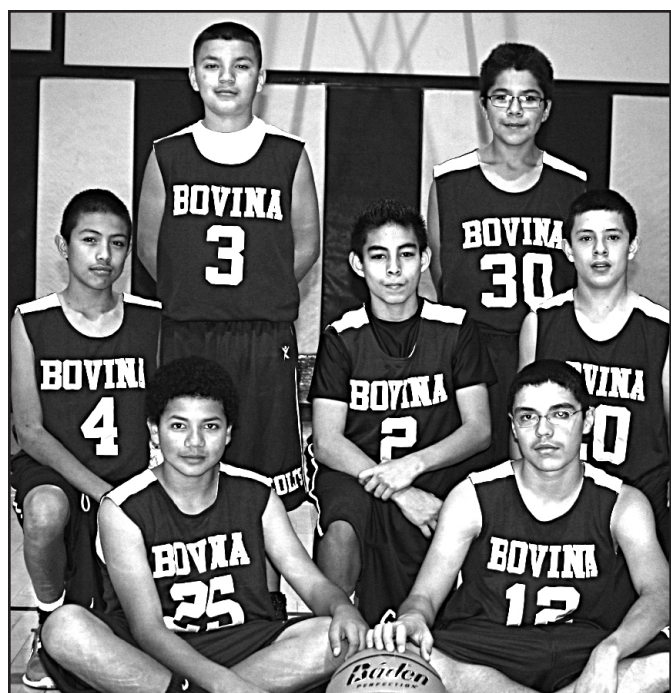
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### LAZBUDDIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2012

	General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 795,639	\$ 28,129	\$ 823,768
State Program Revenues	958,840	6,871	965,711
Federal Program Revenues	8,159	202,691	210,850
Total Revenues	1,762,638	237,691	2,000,329
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>			
Current:			
Instruction	877,757	132,586	1,010,343
Instructional Resources and Media Services	23,087	--	23,087
School Leadership	78,073	--	78,073
Guidance, Counseling, & Evaluation Services	262	--	262
Health Services	2,725	--	2,725
Student Transportation	70,813	--	70,813
Food Service	2,879	117,557	120,436
Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	93,095	--	93,095
General Administration	175,185	--	175,185
Plant Maintenance and Operations	320,156	--	320,156
Data Processing Services	26,661	--	26,661
Payments to Shared Service Arrangements	10,980	--	10,980
Other Intergovernmental Charges	18,494	--	18,494
Total Expenditures	1,700,167	250,143	1,950,310
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	62,471	(12,452)	50,019
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):			
Transfers In	--	12,452	12,452
Transfers Out	(12,452)	--	(12,452)
Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)	(12,452)	12,452	--
Net Change in Fund Balances	50,019	--	50,019
Fund Balances - Beginning	1,425,005	--	1,425,005
Fund Balances - Ending	\$ 1,475,024	\$ --	\$ 1,475,024





**Bovina 7th Boys**

Manuel Sanchez, Fernando Martinez, Osveldo Snyder, Brian Delatorre, Andres Loera, Miguel Rochel, Tony Lara and Jacob Quesada.



**Bovina Varsity Boys**

Kristian Antillon, Joseph Casas, Abel Rocha, Oscar Jasso, David Velo, Gabriel DeLaRosa, Zac Castillo, Justin Curtis, J.C. Marrufo, Andrew Marrufo.

**Bovina Banter**

From page 12

Springlake-Earth on Jan. 7. See the Lazbuddie Tourney brackets elsewhere in today's Tribune.

From April 29, 1948:

Ezra Englant opens a skating rink near his house. The Bovina High School softball team team beat Tulia, 11-10.

Mrs. Grace Paul, of Lazbuddie, is acting as the new home ec teacher at Bovina School.

Wilma McClain fell while skating at the new rink and broke her leg.

Some light snow, probably under an inch, fell in the area on Christmas Day.

School is back in session to regular hours on Monday the 7th -- a celebration for parents and a dark day for students. Just kidding...

The Sweat Suit for Seniors project run by Deena Leuea was a wonderful success and all the deliveries went well. There were plenty of volunteers to help pass out presents to the nursing home residents. Watch for photos in next week's Tribune.

Bovina has a new youngster showing animals -- Marco Terrones. It has been some time since there was someone showing animals at stock shows from Bovina.



**Bovina Varsity Girls**

Anabel Lara, Andrea Villarreal, Marielena Flores, Edith Gomez, Jackie Guevara, Samantha Villarreal, Brittany Perez, Vanessa Herrera, Ashlynn Kilpatrick, Autumn Kilpatrick, Tamara Rivera. Managers are Christian Gonzales and Jacqueline Garcia

**Weather predictions appear to be looking up**

A look ahead at weather for our area: Weather patterns are in a neutral phase between El Nino (which creates warm, dry conditions in the Panhandle) and La Nina (which shows increased rain).

Both weather phenomenons result from sea surface temperatures.

The Panhandle has been in the El Nino phase the past few years so it appears the "neutral phase" should provide cooler and wetter weather.

Free classes for adult ESL (English as a Second Language) starts Jan. 15 at the school Home Ec. building across from the high school gym.

If you have been thinking about it, now is the time. You never know when funding will be suspended and the classes may not be available for free.

Good to see some light snow on Sunday night.

God Bless and have a great 2013!

Interesting Facts of the Week: 35% of the people using personal ads for dating are already married! What is going on people? Takes me back to that song by Jimmy Buffet, if you like pina colodas...

**LEGAL PUBLICATIONS**

Notice to Creditors  
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Billie Jo Mimms, Deceased, were issued on Dec. 20, 2012, in Cause No. 2945, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: Gary Brown.

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# THE YEAR IN REVIEW

Here is a look at 2012 in the Bovina area:

## January

Mike McCallum, an internationally-acclaimed commercial graphics artist, publishes a best seller, dealing with first-time animators using the iClone software. Mustang Gift Shop opened by Antillon family. City Council discusses possibly paying EMS volunteers.

## February

City officials call meeting to rejuvenate Chamber of Commerce. Don Spring elected president.

Bovina EMS Director Larry Mitchell tells City Council there is a dire need for more EMS volunteers.

School Board discusses possibly building a new gym.

Ground-breaking held for new recreation center.

Vivyan Mesza is first Bovina student to compete at state Visual Arts Scholastic Event.

Mustang Band wins Small Sweepstakes Award at Region UIL Concert and Sight Reading Contest.

## March

Boys' basketball coach Jose Gonzales resigns.

Abel Rocha named Newcomer of Year when basketball All-District honors are announced.

## April

Chamber of Commerce discusses having a "Donor Wall" at new Rec Center.

Picked to attend leadership conference in Washington, D.C., are students Antonio Rocha, Rosalinda Duarte and Hector Lopez.

School Board names Jay Thackston and Todd Kilpatrick to coach varsity basketball teams.

## May

Bovina's mile relay team advances to State -- Joseph Casas, Ramiro Nicolas, Jose Lara and Rolando Perez.

Chamber of Commerce sets up website.

Top Mustang Band honors go to Daniel Salazar, John Phillip Sousa award; Heather Miller, Patrick Gilmore award; and Zach Castillo, Quincy Jones award.

Receiving top Bovina athletic honors are Rolando Perez and Marielena Flores.

Frank Gonzalez Jr. wins mayoral race over incumbent Stan Miller. Winning council posts were Mike Olvera and incumbent David Curtis. In the school board race, incumbents Josh Quintana and Justin Brozek are re-elected.

Top high school honors go to Jake Brozek, valedictorian; David Martinez, salutatorian, and Padyn Hughes, historian.

## June

School board votes to keep tax rate the same.

Jana Pitcock resigns as city manager, effective Sept. 1.

## Barking dog

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further apart. With a sigh I went back to work and he went back to yapping.

The evening wore on and it was quitting time. As I got in my pickup to go home, there he sat in front of the door, tongue hanging out, with no more yaps left in him.

Yapper knew he had the right door, the right house, and was very insistent to be let in. How did he know all that? Here is the answer.

A dog interprets the world predominantly by smell, whereas a human interprets it by sight.

As a human, I cannot even imagine what it would be like to get most of my information from what I smell. This is why a blind or deaf dog can get along just fine if allowed to be a dog, given the proper leadership and exercise and their sensory whiskers are not cut off when they are groomed.

While a dog's brain is only one-tenth the size of a human brain, the part that controls smell is 40 times larger than in humans.

## Bovina Banter

Deanna Curtis • 251-1405

There is a very important message from the State Dept. of Health Services on changes affecting Bovina residents on Page 1 of today's Tribune. Please read it.

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Lots of basketball on tap:

Our Varsity and JV girls play at Springlake-Earth Jan. 4 and host Sudan on Jan. 8. The JV and Varsity boys host Lubbock Christian on

Buddy Prather agrees to head annual July 4th parade in the city. Controversy over fire department procedures on filling residents' swimming pools comes before the city council.

## July

School board discusses possible bond issue to build a new gym.

City council sets up committee to pick a new city manager. Scott Caldwell named interim city manager.

## August

City council sets Rec Center rules.

Longtime resident J.T. Hammonds moves to Missouri.

Grand opening held for new XIT Recreation Center.

Chamber of Commerce holds awards banquet: Brenda Riddle and Martha Tyler, Women of Year; Dan Mayberry, Man of Year; Yvonne Stevenson, Heritage Award; Wayne Anderson, Teacher of Year; Jana Pitcock, Citizen of Year; and Padyn Hughes and David Martinez, Students of Year.

## September

New building opens for Family Healthcare Clinic and the Bone Joint Clinic on Hwy. 86.

Dale Fullerton announces retirement as Bovina School superintendent, effective Jan. 7, 2013.

## October

Homecoming King and Queen are Kristian Antillon and Heather Miller.

Bovina High School Principal Denise Anderson named new school superintendent.

Jim Bob Swafford, CEO of Scandia Wind Southwest, reports the Mariah wind project received approval from the state to supply 1200 megawatts of wind energy into a new Competitive Renewable Energy Zone transmission line.

City council increases water rates.

Ground breaking held for Cargill Sweet Bran plant to be built just west of the city limits and adjacent to Cargill Cattle Feeders.

City council appoints Katrina Bryant, of Texico, as city manager, and Jesus Garcia, of Hereford, as police chief.

## November

School board votes to have Middle School Principal Steve Arias be principal for both the middle school and high school.

Boys' cross country team finishes 5th at State -- Abel Rocha, Juan Pinela, Gabriel Hancock, Pedro Dominguez, Joseph Casas, Christian Antillon and Ivan Ramirez.

Mustang football team finishes 3rd in District to earn a State playoff berth. They beat Ralls in the first round, then fall to Wellington in the Area battle.

## December

City Manager Katrina Bryant resigns. City council extends contract for interim city manager Scott Caldwell as council looks for a new city manager.

Middle School dominates All-Region Band contest with 27 students placing on it. The next school had 16 picked.



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Jan. 4, then play at Sudan Jan. 8.

Our middle school and JV teams are in the Lazbuddie Tourney Jan. 10-12, then host

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**More Christmas scenes from around Bovina**



# A barking dog catches Swafford's attention

by Jim Bob Swafford

Recently, my workday in Bovina started off with the resounding yap-yap-yap of a dog. I stopped what I was doing and went to the office window to see what the yapping was all about.

This short-haired mutt was standing in front of a house door, obviously wanting in. No big deal at first glance, but the door didn't open and the yapping got more intense.

With each yap, his hind quarters would bounce back and his front paws would bounce up and down. He was expecting someone to let him in. I watched several minutes then returned to my work, figuring he'd wear down and soon give up.

Ahh, the yapping stopped; peace at last.

Wrong. He started up again. It started to grate on my nerves with each yap-yap resounding in my ear like a dripping water faucet.

I again went to the window and watched "Yapper," as we named him that day, continue his quest to arouse someone inside to open that dang door.

Surely he would wear down at some point. And he finally stopped yapping, turned and walked away. Yapper stopped once as he glanced back at the door for a final check then continued on across the street.

Back to work ... how sweet is the sound of silence. It wasn't more that 10 minutes and, "he's

back."

Yap-Yap-Yap

Now the thought crossed my mind to go bang on that door and yell, "Let him in!"

Why can't this poor mutt understand nobody is home?

I've seen enough movies where the dog barks to get attention when their master is in distress. Like Lassie and Rin-Tin-Tin. But somehow the Yapper just didn't fit in that scenario.

As my day progressed, Yapper wore me down. So back to the window to watch in sheer amazement his attitude of staying with it.

About 3 p.m. a car drove up in front of the house and honked its horn. This is it, I thought, for Yapper to finally get in.

The horn blasted several times. Yapper waited and watched, seemingly to know what was going on, and expecting to be rewarded.

I was now caught up in the moment of waiting for the door to open.

Nada! Nothing! Yapper and I watched as the car

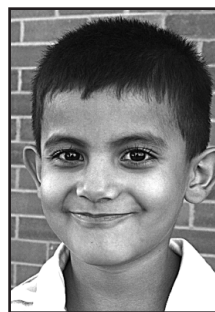
backed up and drove off. Yapper was as disappointed as I.

My irritation from the day-long yapping moved toward feeling sorry for Yapper as he sat there seemingly perplexed, watching the car drive away.

Yapper seemed exhausted as he got up and wagged to the side of the house, then back to the front, rearing up on his hind legs trying to peek in the window. His yaps were now getting weaker and

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## Meet Bovina's Class of 2025



Inrique Lee Lara is a Bovina kindergartener, whose birthday is Dec. 13.

Parents are Dustin and Yesenia Lara. Siblings are Destiny, Angel and Delhila Lara. Grandparents are Victor and Maria Ortiz, and Tony and Mary Lara.

Favorite food is pizza. Favorite color is red.

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## Basketball

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Jasso, 7; Guevara, 6; and Rivera, 4.

Lara had 8 rebounds. Ashlyn Kilpatrick led And Bovina lost to LaMesa, 57-20.

Scoring were Autumn and Rivera, 2 each; and Lara, 11.

Ashlyn Kilpatrick led in boards with 8. Lara and Guevara had 3 steals each. Guevara also had 5 assists.

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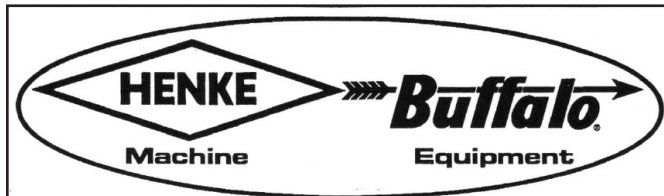
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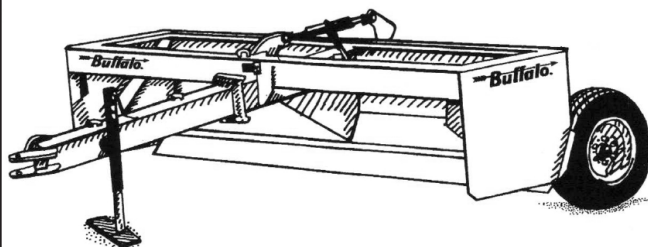
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## Civil rights lawsuit filed

(Editor's note: The following article was posted on the Amarillo Globe-News' website on Dec. 28.)  
by Jim McBride

**Amarillo Globe-News**  
Nine people filed a federal civil rights lawsuit Friday against the city of Bovina, its ex-police chief and other officials, alleging they hatched an "illegal scheme" to harass some residents and extort money from them to fill city coffers.

The suit, filed in Amarillo's U.S. District Court, names as defendants former City Manager Jana Pitcock, Municipal Judge Donna Mitchell, former Police Chief Gary Sinclair and former police officers Jonathan Jimenez, Manny Jimenez and Owen Foster.

The suit was filed by Sandra Moreno, Carlos Moreno, Eliseo Castaneda, Federico Vela, Jose Vega Gonzales, Jose Vega, Briselda Rodriguez, Martha Jaramillo and Rogelio Martinez.

"The pattern of harassment and extortion began

following the city's decision to raise additional revenue by forcing citizens and property owners to make improvements to their property against their will," the suit said. "This illegal scheme, concocted by then-City Manager Jana Pitcock, was approved by the City Council and implemented by the Bovina, Texas, Police Department."

The suit alleges, among other things, that police officers unlawfully arrested some of the plaintiffs for various offenses in 2010 and 2011, and that charges against most of them ultimately were dismissed.

The suit further claims former city officials engaged in a policy to generate city revenues by harassing and illegally arresting some residents through false accusations.

The suit seeks unspecified damages against the plaintiffs for conspiracy, excessive force and intentional infliction of emotional distress.

The suit was filed by Hereford attorney James B. Johnston.

## Poling hired as Bovina city manager

The Bovina City Council held a special meeting on Dec. 20 to appoint G.A. "Buster" Poling Jr. as the new city manager.

Poling has served as city manager at Texline, Texas, for almost four years. Texline is at the northwest tip of Texas.

He plans to begin work here by Jan. 7. Poling was born in Amarillo and raised on a ranch southwest of Clayton, N.M.

He has a degree from New Mexico State University and has taken several graduate courses in accounting. He was a bank president in New Mexico for 18 years.

He and his wife, Kay have a home in Clayton but plan to move to this area.

Mrs. Poling has two master's degrees and has served as a school administrator and bank branch manager during her career.

The Polings have two children, both of whom are married.

## 'Stangs, Fillies vie in Lubbock Tourney

### Varsity Boys

The Bovina Mustangs knocked down Adrian, 72-34, on Dec. 21.

Scoring were Abel Rocha, 30 (including a trio of 3-pointers); Andrew Marrufo, 10; Gabriel DeLaRosa, 2; Justin Curtis, 6; Kristian Antillon, 8; Zach Castillo, 8, and Oscar Jasso, 8.

Rocha and Antillon led in assists with 5 each. Curtis had 3 steals. Rocha had 8 boards.

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In the Lubbock Caprock Tourney, the Mustangs fell to LaMesa,

69-53.

Scoring were Rocha, 18 (including three 3-pointers); Andrew Marrufo, 5; j.C. Marrufo, 4; Joseph Casas, 5; Curtis, 9; Antillon, 5; and Castillo, 7.

Rocha led in assists with 5 and rebounds with 10.

Then Borger topped the 'Stangs, 56-43.

Scoring were Rocha, 7; Andrew Marrufo, 16; David Velo, 4; J.C. Marrufo, 2; Casas, 7; Curtis, 4; and Castillo, 3. Castillo had 11 rebounds and Rocha 10.



Curtis honored

Mustang offensive lineman Justin Curtis was named to the Amarillo newspaper's Class 1A Golden Spread football team.

And Pampa beat each. Bovina, 51-42. \*\*\*

Scoring were Rocha 16; Andrew Marrufo, 5; Casas, 7; Curtis 9; and Castillo, 5.

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In the Lubbock Caprock Tourney, Bovina fell to Water Valley, 63-21.

Scoring were Guevara, 4; Lara, 8; Ashlyn Kilpatrick, 4; and Andrea Villarreal, 5.

Lara led in rebounds with 11. Kilpatrick had 5 steals and Guevara 3 assists.

The Fillies lost to Perryton, 68-30.

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## A look at the Bovina Christmas lights



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